



# Press Release

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## **PRESS RELEASE** **October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

On October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 10:31 pm, the Lake County Sheriff's Office responded to the area of the 2500 block of US 20 (North Ridge Rd.) in Painesville Twp. for a reported motor vehicle injury accident involving a pedestrian. Upon arrival on scene, deputies determined that the pedestrian, Jerry D. Cahn, a 78 year old male from Chesterland Ohio had significant injuries. Cahn was immediately transported to Tri-Point Hospital by Painesville Twp. Fire where he later died from his injuries.

The investigation at the scene showed that a 51 year old male from Madison, Ohio had just exited State Rt. 2 east and was traveling east bound on US 20 in his silver 2006 Volkswagen Jetta at approximately 45 MPH with the vehicle headlights illuminated. According to the driver and a witness traveling west on US 20 approaching this area, Cahn, the pedestrian was observed running from north to south across the west and east bound lanes of US 20. Cahn was observed crossing the roadway by the witness and then ran into the east bound lanes of US 20 at which time the driver of the Volkswagen attempted to swerve out of the way but was unable to avoid striking Cahn.

Deputies located a 2009 Dodge Taxi registered to Americab Transportation out of Cleveland which Cahn was operating. The cab was found running off the west bound lane of US 20 just west of Blase Nemeth Rd. It is unknown at this time why Cahn had exited his work vehicle and was running across the lanes of US 20 during which time he was struck by a vehicle in oncoming traffic.

The driver of the Volkswagen was not injured as a result of the accident and there was no evidence discovered that alcoholic beverage consumption contributed to this accident. The accident is still under investigation by the Lake County Sheriff's Office.

Capt. Carl Dondorfer #53